Virginia Information Technologies Agency

# VITA Service Bulletin

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This issue marks the beginning of our second year of publishing the Service Bulletin.  I hope it has been and continues to be of value to you.  Our intent is to keep you apprised of both existing and new services and products that may prove to be of value for your organization. I hope to see you at COVITS 2006, and I look forward to your entries in the 2006 Governor's Technology Awards.

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## Boost team productivity with Microsoft SharePoint services through Virginia.gov

In partnership with the Commonwealth of Virginia, Virginia.gov now offers Microsoft SharePoint services, including hosting and set-up, to Virginia government entities. This powerful service takes collaboration and file sharing to a new level, by using team Web spaces that incorporate tools and services such as document management with versioning and shared lists for contacts, announcements and tasks. Users can easily create, manage and build their own SharePoint Web sites to facilitate secure collaboration within an organization and with partners or customers.

### Benefits

* Improve team productivity with easy-to-use collaborative tools
* Deploy solutions tailored to your business processes
* Manage documents easily and facilitate integrity of content
* Train users quickly by using familiar interfaces and tools

## What customers are saying:

"DMHMRSAS launched a SharePoint initiative in May 2006 to communicate project information and documentation among our technology staff, through hosting and development services from Virginia.gov. The set-up and deployment was rapid and reasonably simple. The file sharing features of SharePoint are very powerful, and we are impressed with the way it integrates with MS-Office products, especially Word and Outlook. We intend to expand the use of SharePoint for involving stakeholders in IT development projects."

*Sanford Hostetter, ITS Manager, Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services*

## Who to contact for more information:

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## Plan now to attend COVITS 2006: Sept. 10-12, Roanoke

The Commonwealth's *Innovative* Technology Symposium promises an exciting agenda, with a new focus on networking and practical solutions that align with state strategies. See the complete agenda online, then register for the Early Bird government rate!



COVITS 2006

## Submit your entry for a 2006 Governor's Technology Award

Let your IT team get the recognition it deserves for the innovative programs deployed in your area - enter the 2006 Governor's Technology Awards program! This year's program features new categories for local government, K-12 and higher education. All entrants also receive one complimentary ticket to COVITS 2006.  View full details online here and get started soon; entry deadline is August 17, 2006. If you have questions about the awards program, e-mail VITACOMMS@vita.virginia.gov.